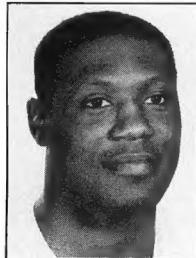




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Mike Johnson 59 – Linebacker



6-1", 230 lbs., 7th year
Virginia Tech
DeMatha (Hyattsville, Md.) H.S.
Born: November 26, 1962
Southport, N.C.
Draft (Supplemental) 1b, 1984

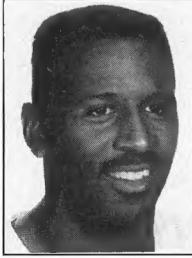
Games Played/Games Started: (1986; 16/0); (1987, 11/10); (1988, 16/16); (1989, 16/16); (1990, 16/15); (1991, 5/4) Total 80/61.

PRO: Browns' leading tackler in '92 (134) . . . Defensive captain and leader who suffered a broken bone in his right foot last year, causing him to miss final 12 starts . . . Anchor of Browns' defense since becoming a starter in the 1987 season . . . Starting MLB in 4-3 defense last three years, and one of two starting inside 'backers since '87 . . . Earned a selection to the Pro Bowl two consecutive seasons; after the '90 season when Miami LB-John Offerdahl was unable to play, and following the '89 season when named as a "needs" player . . . Was the Browns' leading tackler in 1987, 1988, co-leader in 1989 and leading tackler again in 1990 . . . Led club on special teams' tackle chart in 1986 . . . Joined the Browns in 8/11/86 after a two-year stint in the USFL.



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Lawyer Tillman 85 — Wide Receiver



6'5", 230 lbs., 2nd year

Auburn

LeFlore (Birmingham, Ala.) H.S.

Born: May 20, 1966

Mobile, Ala.

Draft 2, 1989

Games Played/Games Started: (1989; 14/1); (1990, IR); (1991, PUP); Total 14/1.

PRO: Spent all of 1991 on the physically unable to perform list with a leg injury, and all of the '90 season on injured reserve with a stress fracture . . . Injured left ankle in May of '91 while running during a workout in Los Angeles; had surgery (5/16/91) and suffered additional setbacks in training camp . . . Was acquired with the 31st overall selection (third position, second round) . . . The Browns acquired that pick, along with a fifth round pick in 1990, its third and fifth round picks in 1989 and RB-Hermon Fontenot . . . Was the third-ever player selected by the Browns out of Auburn and the fifth wide receiver chosen in the 1989 draft.

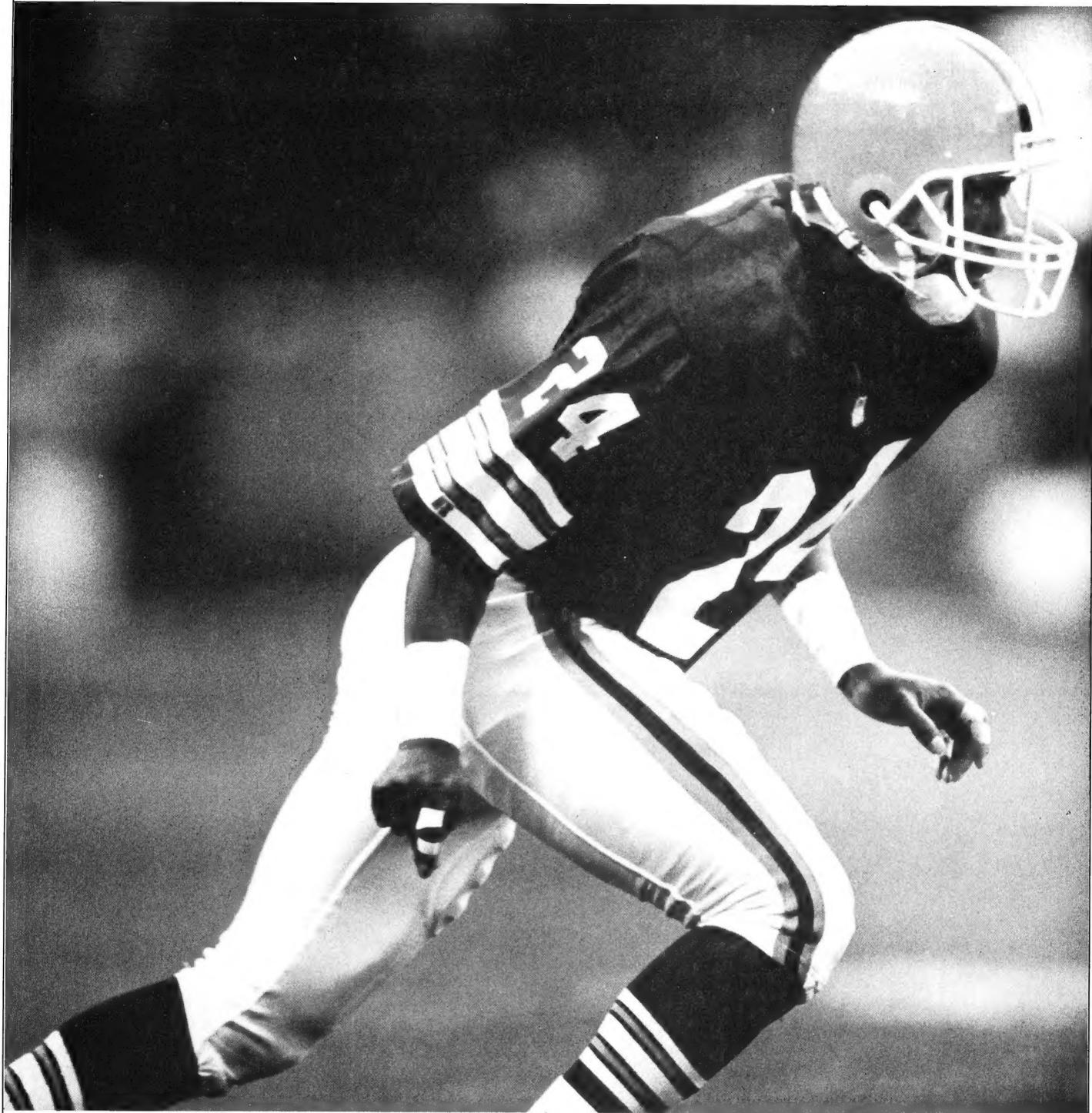
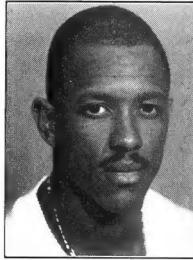


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Terry Taylor 24 — Cornerback



5'-10", 191 lbs., 9th year

Southern Illinois

Rayen (Youngstown, O.) H.S.

Born: July 18, 1961

Warren, Ohio

Free Agent

(Unprotected: Lions), 1992

Games Played/Games Started: (1984, 16/1); (1985, 16/16); (1986; 16/15); (1987, 12/12); (1988, 14/8); (1989, 15/15); (1990, 2/2); (1991, 11/10) **Total 102/69.**

PRO: Warren (O.) native, who was drafted by the Seattle Seahawks in the first round (22nd overall) in 1984 and traded to the Detroit Lions in an (8/31/89) exchange for RB-James Jones . . . Steady at right corner, Taylor can make the big play . . . Entering 1992, he has recorded 20 interceptions, two for touchdowns and 334 total tackles.

Richard Mann

"I'm excited about working with all these young guys coming in, but now that the introductions are over, we need to get down to work."

RICHARD MANN, Wide Receivers:

Born April 20, 1947, Aliquippa, Pa.

Coaching Background:

1970-1973 (Aliquippa H.S.); 1974-79 (Arizona State); 1980-81 (Louisville); 1982-84 (Baltimore/Indianapolis Colts); 1985-92 (Browns).

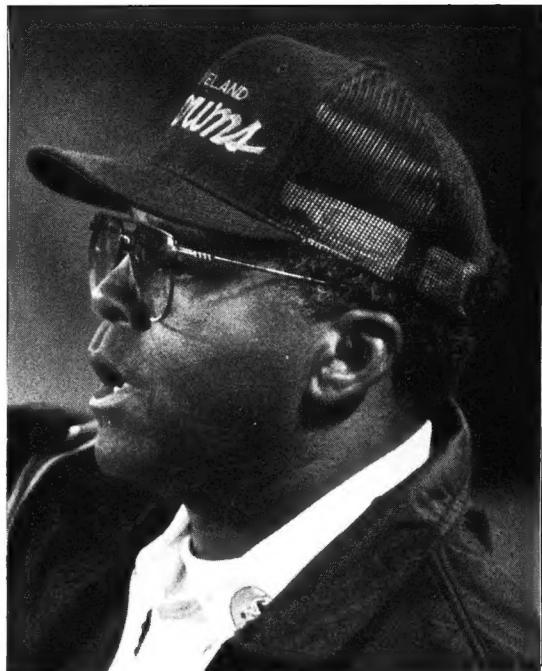


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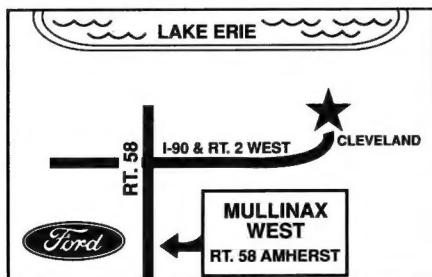
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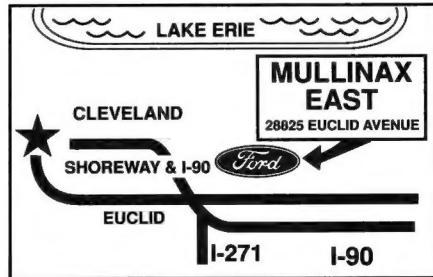
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Operation Can-Do: Two More Weeks

On Sunday, Nov. 15, The Browns' Wives Association organized the 8th annual Operation "Can-Do" Food Drive kick off.

The Browns' Wives Association members were at each gate to greet the fans and request a donation to their annual canned food drive. Players' wives wore their husbands' jerseys and the coaches' wives assisted in the collection.

The drive, which was kicked off at the Chargers' contest, is actually a six-week community-wide drive, ending Dec. 21st. All canned or non-perishable items will be distributed by the Cleveland Food Basket to Hunger Relief Centers throughout the City of Cleveland.

"Can-Do" collected nearly 75 tons of food and approximately \$8,000 in 1991, which was used to buy additional food for distribution during the holiday season.

Sponsoring the event this year are the Wives Association, The Cleveland Food Basket, Stop 'n' Shop Supermarkets, Elias Brothers Big Boy Restaurants, Shamrock Movers, Fox-Nineteen WOIO-TV, WMMS FM, and Brilliant Sign Co.

Fans will be able to meet and get autographs of some of their favorite Browns and their wives at their local Stop 'n' Shop and Elias Brothers locations, and at the same time, drop off their donations. ■



■ Tasha Newsome (wife of S-Vince) participated in the Browns' wives 1992 canned food drive.

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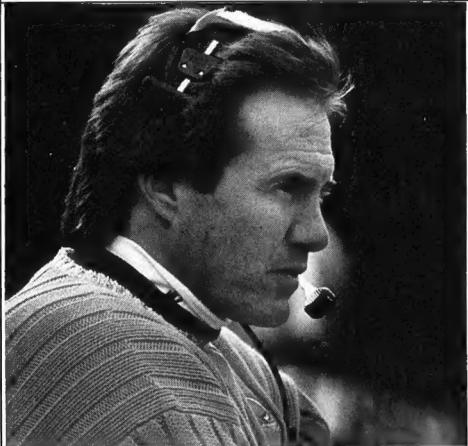
BES Brilliant Electric
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■ "Operation Can-Do" kicked off Sunday, November 15th with a canned food collection at the Browns/Chargers' game. You can also drop off food at all Stop 'n' Shop Supermarkets and at all Elias Brothers Restaurants until December 21st. Please help . . . food collected will be distributed by the Cleveland Food Basket to the Hunger Relief Centers throughout the North Coast.

WELCOME TO CLEVELAND STADIUM . . . The Cleveland Browns extend a warm welcome to all fans attending today's game versus the Cincinnati Bengals at Cleveland Stadium.

BILL SAYS . . . "If ever a group of players deserved a win, I thought our team did against the Bears. It's been encouraging to see how hard they have worked despite losing two tough games back-to-back against San Diego and Minnesota. Those were games where the players played very hard after good weeks of practice, but all they had to show for their efforts were two close losses. They could have come in and had less enthusiasm for practicing for the Bears, plus having the holiday (Thanksgiving) made another distraction to some degree. Instead, they had a strong week of preparation and it paid off with the win over the Bears . . . We had talked on Saturday about the need for players to make big plays



■ Bill Belichick

— that, at this time of year, players need to step up and make something happen. We got that with David's (Brandon) interception for a touchdown, with Eric's (Metcalf) punt return for another one, plus players like Rob (Burnett), Everson (Walls) and Frank (Minnifield) stepped up. We gave Frank a game ball, because he went in there with a sore groin and gave a great effort. This is the time of the season where everybody seems to have some sort of nick or the flu and Frank's courageous effort kind of epitomizes the outstanding effort made by the players . . . I've said before that if we can play well in the kicking game, protect the ball and turn the other team over, we can win. If we don't do one of these, our chances of losing grow dramatically."

ON CINCINNATI . . . "It wasn't too long ago that the Bengals beat us in Cincinnati, so I'm sure the players

will be aware of that all week as we prepare for Sunday. We have respect for them whether they play (David) Klingler or Boomer (Esiason). We'll prepare for both. They were able to hit some big plays against us in the first game; Tim McGee made a couple of them deep in the middle, including one for a touchdown and Harold Green ran the ball well. Green is somebody you have to keep aware of each play, as are McGee and (Carl) Pickens. Defensively, they attack and try to disrupt your offense with a lot of penetration. James Francis and Alfred Williams are two 6-5, 6-6 linebackers who can run and put tremendous pressure on your passer, as can Danny Stubbs. (Tim) Krumrie is still a tough run stopper inside and he's backed up by the big safety David Fulcher. After they beat us, they went to Chicago and won an overtime game there; then, like us, they lost two tough, close games — at the Jets and then against the Lions. Pittsburgh got up on them early last Sunday and were able to put some pressure on Klingler when the Bengals had to pass to try and get back in the game."

RADIO WAVES . . . Today's game can be heard on WHK-AM (1420) and WMMS-FM (100.7), flagship stations for the largest radio network (54 stations) in Browns' history. The Browns salute all the members of their radio network — in Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky. Eight-year veterans Nev Chandler (calls the action) and former Browns' offensive tackle Doug Dieken (adds color) are the Browns' radio team.

NOTES . . . Eric Metcalf's 75-yard punt return for a TD vs. Chicago was his "fifth dimension" — he's now scored on a punt return, kickoff return, rushing, receiving and he's also thrown a scoring pass . . . The only player in team history to have accomplished that was Hall of Famer Bobby Mitchell . . . Metcalf, Mitchell and Gerald McNeil are the only Browns to have returned both a punt and kickoff for a touchdown in their



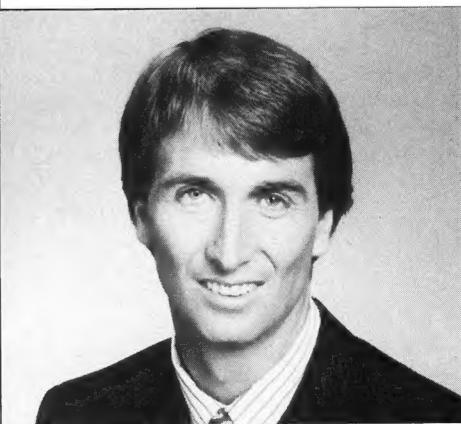
■ Mr. Versatility

careers . . . LB-David Brandon's 92-yard interception return for a TD last week to halt Chicago's potential opening scoring drive tied a Brown's yardage record set by Bernie Parrish on 12/11/60 vs. the Bears . . . It was Brandon's third career TD on a turnover, his second of the season, and the eighth turnover he has been involved in (he later recovered a fumble for his ninth) . . . Kevin Mack's one-yard TD run last week was the 52nd score of his career, tying him with Mike Pruitt for sixth place on the Browns' all-time TD list . . . Kevin needs one touchdown to tie Paul Warfield (53) for fifth and three to tie Ray Renfro (55) for fourth . . . Brian Hansen had four punts inside-the-20 last week, giving him a league-leading 26 on the season . . . CB-Everson Walls recorded his first interception as a Brown in the fourth quarter, and the 56th in his career (second behind Ronnie Lott's 60 among active NFL players)

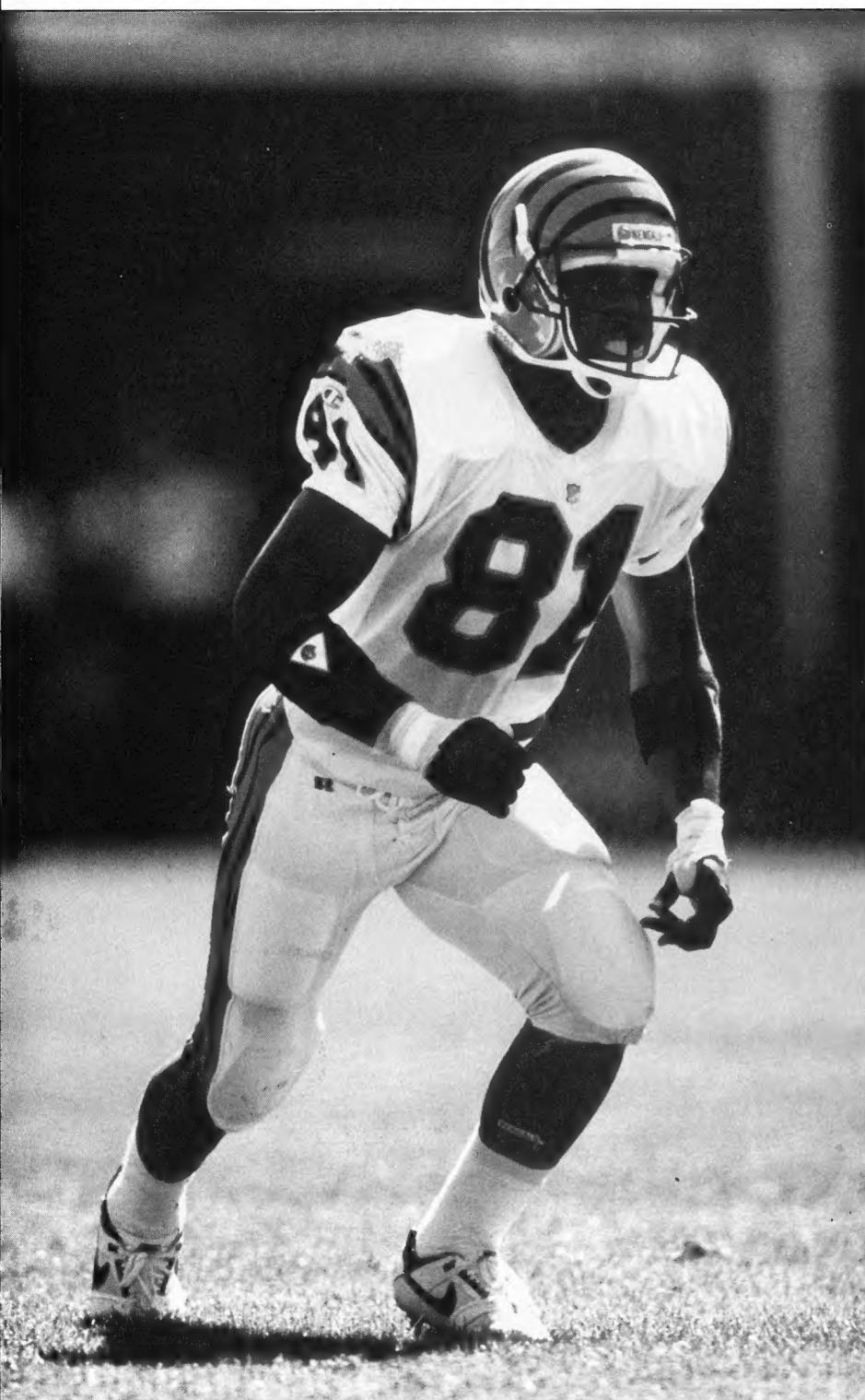
CONGRATULATIONS . . . to Dan Yanick of Euclid, who booted a 50-yard field goal at halftime of the Continental Kickoff competition to win a trip for two to Australia on Continental Airlines. ■



■ Today's game with the Bengals will be telecast by NBC. Tom Hammond (left) will handle the play-by-play and Cris Collinsworth will offer color commentary.



BENGALS ACTION



Eddie Brown (81), who is beginning his eighth season in the National Football League, all with Cincinnati, is a talented wide receiver who ranks with the best . . . A first-round draft choice in 1985, Brown is a vital part of the Bengals' high-powered offense . . . He led the team last season in pass receptions with 59, good for 827 yards, a 14.0 average, and two touchdowns . . . His top two games in 1991 came against Seattle and Pittsburgh in Cincinnati . . . Brown caught seven passes for 117 yards against Seattle and 10 for 98 against the Steelers . . . His figures for seven seasons are 363 receptions for 6,136 yards, 16.9 average, and 40 touchdowns . . . Brown also led the Bengals in pass receptions in 1990, 1988 and 1987 . . . Brown (363) is third on the Bengals' all time pass receiving list behind Isaac Curtis (420) and Cris Collinsworth (417).

Bob Rosato/NFL Films

MEMORIES



■ Arthur B. Modell

Art Modell recently had the opportunity to look back over his 31 years as owner of the Cleveland Browns and thought about some old friends.

Among those were Wellington Mara, George Halas, Pete Rozelle and Art's longtime friend — "the Chief" — the late Art Rooney of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Of course, there were many others.

But, on this day, when the NFL Alumni chose to honor Modell with the 1992 induction into the Order of the Leather Helmet, he recalled some of the old players. His first "hero" was a man who played without a helmet, Roy "Father" Lumpkin of the 1935 Brooklyn Dodgers.

"I have deep, deep regard and affection for old players," said Modell. "Players that made this game what it is today. Players who played for the love of the game."

When he addressed the audience, he said the night had been like a "mini highlight film." He ran into old friends like Sid Gillman, Fuzzy Thurston and Chuck Bednarik.

The Order of the Leather Helmet was named for Art Rooney, who was among the order's first class of laureates in 1978.

Membership in the order is reserved for those making deep and lasting contributions to the game of professional football.

Of course, it comes down to more than that. It comes down to caring about people — the players, coaches and fans.

And Modell, like Rooney, has made deep and lasting contributions to his community as well. ■